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Summary

Using the streamlined format introduced at the first regular session 2002 of the Executive Board, the present note contains information on the second one-year extensions of the first country cooperation frameworks (CCFs) for the Central African Republic and Thailand. The Governments concerned requested the extensions.

In accordance with established procedures, the Administrator approves the first one-year extension of CCFs while the second-year or two-year extensions are submitted to the Board for its approval. The attached table summarizes the reasons given for the CCF extensions.

The Executive Board may wish to approve the second extensions of the CCFs for the Central African Republic and Thailand for a period of one year, from 1 January 2003 to 31 December 2003.

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Extensions of CCFs for which the approval of the Executive Board is sought

Country	Years covered by original CCF	Year(s) covered by any extension already approved	Year(s) proposed for new extension	Extension		Reason and explanation		
				2nd one year	Two years	United Nations harmonization	In-country political development	Other
Central African Republic	1999-2001	2002	2003	X			Recent socio-political events have influenced country priorities. This extension would enable continuation of UNDP operations in 2003 while the situation stabilizes. A new county programme 2004-2006 will be prepared for submission to the Executive Board in September 2003.	
Thailand	1997-2001	2002	2003	X			The Government has been restructuring its technical cooperation department in 2002. In light of the changes, the Government requests more time to prepare the new country programme outline, which is now expected to be submitted to the Executive Board in June 2003.	